GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1616
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IMPROVEMENT OF DRAUGHT OF HOOGHLY ESTUARIES
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to improve the draught of Hooghly estuaries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be completed ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government has approved the proposal for execution of the River Regulatory Measures for improvement of draught in the Hooghly Estuary of Kolkata Port Trust (KoPT) at an estimated cost of Rs.350.84 crores.The scheme envisages the following items of work:

(i) Capital Dredging over Jiggerkhali Flat including construction of a dyke.

(ii) Trimming at the western face of the Nayachara Island.

(iii) Guide-wall at the southern end of the Nayachara Island.

(iv) Bank protection works between Sondia Column and the River Haldi.

(c) By the middle of the year 2003.